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**Subject:** Inclusion ? Re: Questions and Issues Westside Soils OU Superfund and the Greeley Neighborhood and Flat--Butte

Mr. Greene,

Even if the boundary has not been set, the EPA status of the Greeley Area has not been determined, and Mr. Benevento's visit was primarily concerned with the Butte Priority Soils Operative Unit, we of the GNCDClnc. - Habitability - Mining Impact Task Force feel it would have been appropriate to have been informed of Mr. Benevento's visit and invited to the Butte meeting.

R. Edward Banderob, Pres. GNCDClnc.

On 3/22/2019 6:03 AM, Greene, Nikia wrote:

Good Morning John,

Please come to the Council meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup>. I believe that a lot of your questions will be answered then. Most importantly to note: the WSSOU investigation is the sample gathering for the RI/FS and is yet to be determined what the remedy (if needed) will be. Greeley Neighborhood is a part of that investigation and a boundary has not been determined at this time.

Thanks,

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## Questions about Westside Soils OU and the Greeley/Flat Area

Submitted by Dr. John W. Ray

I would like to pose the following questions and raise the following issues pertaining to Westside Soils OU and the Greeley/Flat area:

1. This is the last OU to be created in Butte under Superfund. Delisting will occur soon. If the Greeley Neighborhood and Flat Area are not included as part of the Westside Soils OU, how can the extent of contamination in these areas be systematically and thoroughly investigated and remediated? What assurances does the public have that these areas will be systematically and thoroughly investigated and remediated?
2. If the area south of Continental Drive including the Greeley Neighborhood is not part of an established legally constituted Operable Unit under Superfund, does the EPA have an enforcement mechanism under Superfund to use to remediate the area? If not part of a designated OU does the area south of Continental Drive qualify for remediation under Superfund?
3. Does EPA agree that the arsenic contaminated dust that has been found in some attics in the Greeley Neighborhood is smelter dust and therefore considered as mine waste from past mining activity and due remediation under Superfund as has occurred in the BPSOU and Anaconda?
4. If a formal RI/FS process is not conducted for the Greeley Neighborhood and the Flat, how can residents have any confidence that the full extent of contamination in the area has been determined?
5. What provisions are being made for addressing the environmental justice community in the Greeley Neighborhood?
6. When will the public know as to whether or not the RMAP program has been "officially" extended to the Greeley Neighborhood and the Flat?

7. If there is no PRP for the Greeley Neighborhood and the Flat, from where will the necessary cleanup funds for the area be derived? Who will pay? Will there be enough money for a systematic cleanup?
8. If there is no RI/FS, how can the public be assured that sufficient data is available to completely assess the extent of contamination in the Greeley/Flat area?
9. If not part of an official Superfund OU, what assurances can the residents of the area have that they will not become simply a Superfund afterthought?
10. Will the current Superfund Health Study be extended to the Greeley Neighborhood and the Flat?
11. What community involvement activities will be directed to the Greeley Neighborhood and Flat if these areas are not part of an official OU?

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